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Marion COA Receives Senior Van

The Marion Council on Aging (COA) was presented with a new Senior Van which was purchased through a grant applied for by Coastline Elderly Services of New Bedford this past week. Also instrumental in acquiring the funding for the much-needed van was State Senator Marc Pacheco, who was also on hand for the official presentation at the Marion Town House on Tuesday evening. Selectman Albert E. Winters and Selectman Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson graciously accepted the new vehicle which will be used to transport seniors to area events and programs.

"We'd like to extend our appreciation to Senator Pacheco and his office for helping in acquiring the senior van ... and to Coastline Elderly Services, who have allowed us to borrow their van in the interim," said Selectman Winters.

The Board of Selectmen also unanimously voted to name the new handicapped-accessible van "Rose" after Rose Jackson, a long-time Marion resident and volunteer who has devoted much of her time to assisting town seniors. In addition to other duties, Ms. Jackson currently serves as the backup driver for the senior van. "Rose," which boasts a state-of-the-art hydraulic wheelchair lift, is expected to be put into service beginning this week.

Building Walls

Sippican School Construction Update

The structural steel continues to be erected at Sippican School in Marion. If you look closely you will be able to see the entry area that will be used to enter the school from Park Street. It has a raised octagonal shape. This portion of the steel will be used to cover the rear entrance to the building. The steel erection will continue through February vacation.

There are many people who work at the construction site and over the weeks they will be highlighted in the *Construction News* newsletter. Peter Koczera is the Clerk of the Works. He has been hired by the Sippican School Building Committee to act as the eyes and ears of the town on the school building project. Mr. Koczera is a retired construction contractor. He has served as clerk on several school projects, most recently as the clerk for the South School renovation in Hingham, MA. Mr. Koczera and Project Manager John Spath recently presented a safety program to all Sippican School students.

The Clerk of the Works works with the architect, the Construction Company, and the town to insure that the materials specified in the contract documents are used on the project. He insures that the quality of construction is per the plans and specifications. When the footings, foundations, and slabs were poured, Mr. Koczera was present at each pour to make sure the concrete was of the specified design mix and was poured under the proper conditions, i.e. temperature, slump, air entrapment, and placement.

Mr. Koczera is responsible for coordination with the testing company to have a technician on the site for all the concrete pours. He is responsible for maintenance of daily reports on manpower, work in progress, review of all requests for payment, and approval of requests for payment. In addition, he advises the Building Committee on matters that relate to the renovation and construction of the building. The position of the Clerk of the Works is extremely important to the successful, satisfactory completion of the construction and renovation.

Residents should note that as of this week, the two parking signs near the Kindergarten entrance will indicate an additional time that parking will be prohibited in the area. This is necessary to allow Kindergarten students to board and exit the buses safely. Therefore, there will be **no parking in front of the Kindergarten area during the following times: 8:00 to 9:00 am; 11:15 am to 12:30 pm; and 2:30 to 3:00 pm.** Thank you for following these directions and helping to keep the students safe.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact School Committee Chairman Susan Grosart at 748-0180, Superintendent Betty Quinn at 758-2772, or Principal Mary Lou Hobson at 748-0100.

On the cover: *Coastline Elderly Services of New Bedford procured a grant to purchase a new Senior Van for the Marion Council on Aging (COA) which was presented to town officials during this past week's Selectmen's meeting on Tuesday night. The new van will be put into service this week. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

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Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

February 15, 2000

By Ilana Mackin

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, February 15 at 7:00 pm by Acting Chairman Barry Denham. Also present were Selectman Ray Andrews and Executive Secretary Carol Adams. Chairman Paul Lambalot was not present for the meeting.

As acting clerk, Selectman Andrews reviewed the minutes of the meeting of February 8 and moved to accept them as amended with a date correction.

In a review of meetings scheduled throughout the week, Ms. Adams made the announcement that the Town Offices will be closed on Monday, February 21 in observance of Presidents Day.

Moving on to a review of the Executive Secretary's Report, Ms. Adams also provided another reminder to all that effective April 3, the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk, Building Department and Treasurer/Tax Collector's offices will convene on Monday evenings instead of Tuesday.

In a review of the food concession stand lease status, Ms. Adams reported to the board that she has submitted a copy of the rough draft contract to Town Counsel for review and expects to receive it back by the beginning of next week. After its final approval, the new bid process will take place.

Notification was received from the Planning Board that the Economic Development Study Committee

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has scheduled meetings on the following dates: Wednesday, February 16, March 1 and Wednesday, March 15 at 7:30 pm in the Town Hall.

Ms. Adams also brought to the board's attention that she received a letter of resignation from James Huntoon from his alternate chairmanship with the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA). According to Ms. Adams, three people have shown an interest in positions with the ZBA, who are currently in the process of interviewing and selecting.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received:

• Letter from Betty Theriault, Historical Commission member, advising the board that Judy Jenney-Gurney has expressed her desire, and that of her

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brother, David, to sponsor the commission's proposed wharf wayside plaque in memory of their father, Winfield Jenney. According to a brief review of town records, Ms. Adams added that Mr. Jenney served the Town of Mattapoisett as Wharf Commissioner from approximately 1947 to 1957 and also served as the Water/Sewer Commissioner for a period of time.

• Notification from John Haley, Recreation Director, was received announcing sign-ups for Girls Softball that will be held on Thursday, February from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the junior high school lobby for Grades 3 to 8.

Although sign-ups for boys softball were already held earlier this week, Mr. Haley extended his assistance for those wishing to make late registration by calling him at 758-9338. "The main thing is to get as many kids to sign-up as possible," Selectman Denham said.

• Correspondence from Wayne D. Junier, President of the Leisure Shores Association, was brought in by representative Richard Cote. Selectman Andrews read the letter aloud that detailed the association's concerns relative to long overdue road repairs needed on the s-curve of the Brant Island Road area. Mr. Junier requests that the area be given priority on the Highway Department's project list, as association members feel that the repairs have gone undone for too long and pose a serious safety issue for drivers and further erosion of the road.

Selectman Denham addressed Mr. Cote and the association's inquiries into why money can't be taken

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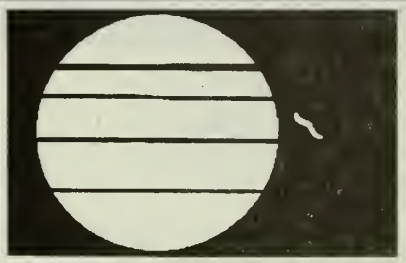

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from other projects. "The money appropriated for water and sewer can only be used for what it was originally voted on at Town Meeting," he said. "It would require additional votes to allocate money for another project. If it takes ten years before design is complete, then the money will be available."

"We're just looking for some answers," said Mr. Cote, who expressed his own concerns. They would like to know where these funds are, where they'll be used and when they will be used to repair the road before other projects in the area are started and then ripped up only to provide repairs that needed to be done first. "It's a public safety issue now," said Mr. Cote.

With that Selectman Denham agreed that the

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condition of the road is not safe and requires repair. He honestly could only comment that "I can't answer for the Water/Sewer Department, the only thing we can do is forward your letter along and echo your concerns. We cannot force them to do anything because they do not come under the Selectmen."

Selectman Denham did explain that when it becomes available, there are Chapter 90 funds that can be used for this type of project. Unfortunately though, due to the "Big Dig" in Boston, it's been difficult for anyone to get any of that money.

On behalf of the association he was representing, Mr. Cote said he understood that the board will forward this letter and the concerns of the people and themselves on to the Water/Sewer and Highway Departments to get some ideas on how to further address the issue.

Selectman Andrews provided the board with another update on the Center and Old Hammondtown Schools Renovation Committee's last meeting with the architect last week which proved to bring some very palatable and versatile plan ideas for the town to consider. Selectman Andrews said that five plans were presented in total — three for Center School and two for Old Hammondtown. The Renovations Committee will need to come to a final decision and recommendation by March 1 in order to present it to Town Meeting.

Selectman Denham also updated the board on a recent meeting he had at the Fire Station regarding the implementation of a new radio system that was approved at the last Town Meeting. "The system is really going to

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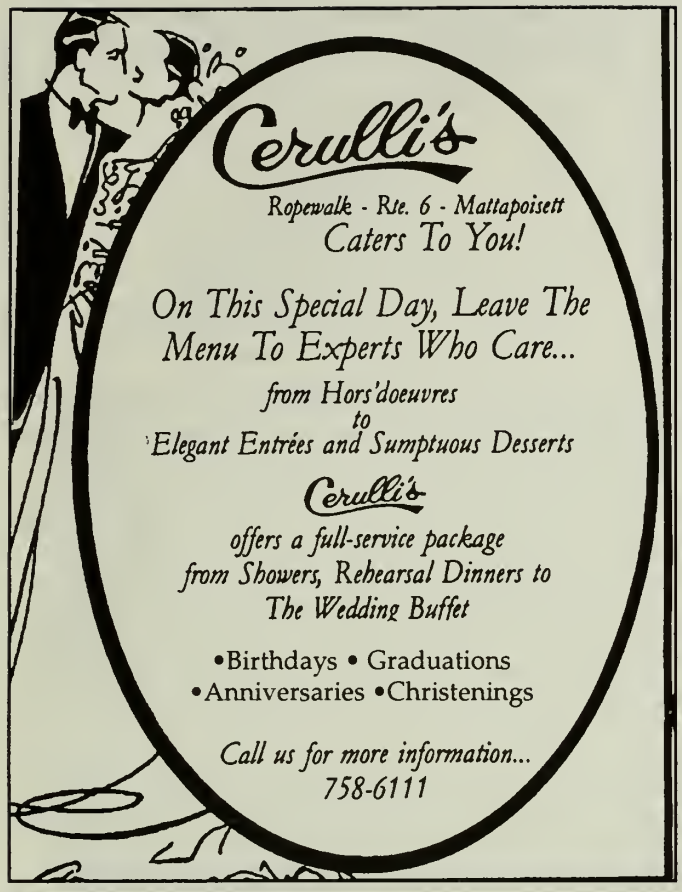

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work and it is going to work well," said Selectman Denham, as he explained the wire between the Fire and Police Departments will soon be activated. From there the next step will be to hook up the Bay Station in the Police Station and lastly, hook up the mobile units in the trucks. He added that this system will give the departments better range of distance in communication than they have ever had before. The signal for the radio has been provided to the Fire Department by the people who own the cell tower.

At 7:30 pm the board opened a Liquor Hearing to transfer the liquor license for Nick's Homemade Pizza from Kiriakos Rentomis to George and Daphney Vrakas. The license allows the establishment to only serve beer and wine inside, but Selectman Andrews advised Ms. Vrakas, who was present at the hearing, to apply for the additional special license that would allow them to serve liquor in the outside seating area as well. With no abutters present to oppose the license transfer, the request was unanimously approved by the board.

With no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:34 pm.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

February 15, 2000

By Kenneth J. Souza

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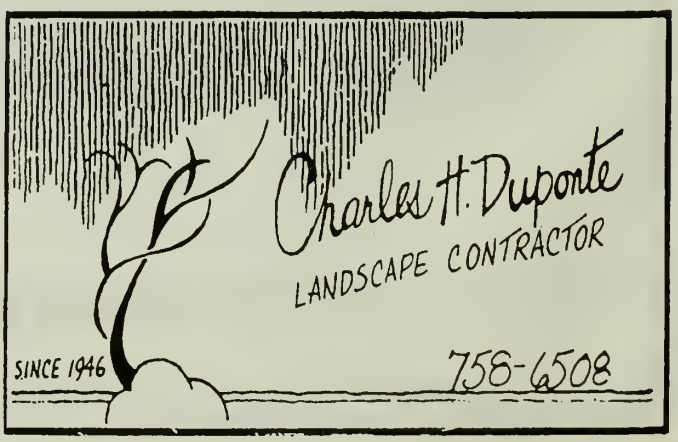

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Also present were Selectman Albert E. Winters and Town Administrator Ray Pickles. Chairman Loretta B. Schaefer and Secretary Helene Craver were not present for the meeting.

After a brief presentation outside the Marion Town House in which the Council on Aging was presented with the newly-purchased Senior Van by representatives of Coastline Elderly Services, the board reconvened at 7:10 pm and met with members of the Cemetery Commissioners and Tree Planting Committee to discuss planting trees at Old Landing Cemetery.

"A suggestion was made whether we want to plant trees in the cemeteries in town," said Tree Planting Committee member Margie Baldwin. "They can be lovely

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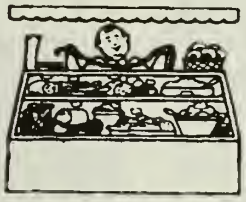

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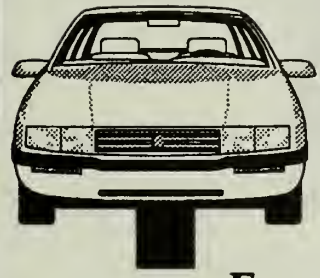

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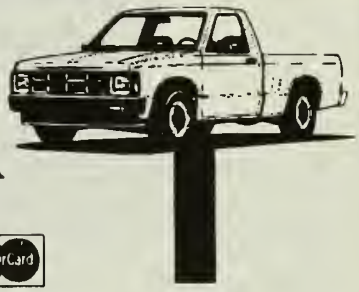

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"I don't want trees in the cemeteries," objected Cemetery Commissioner Ann Washburn. "A good example is Evergreen Cemetery ... you just can't do it. My real concern is we have trouble now with maintenance ... you can't get the work done that needs to be done and now you want to put trees in. You can vote against me, but I'm (opposed)."

"I think the real issue here is the town providing trees in various locations," said Selectman Winters. "With some kind of planting and maintenance plan in place, I think it can be accomplished."

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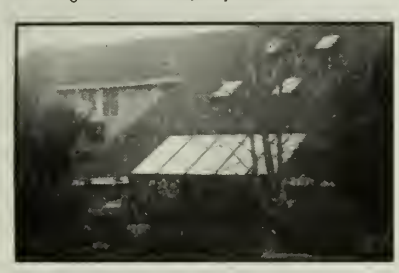

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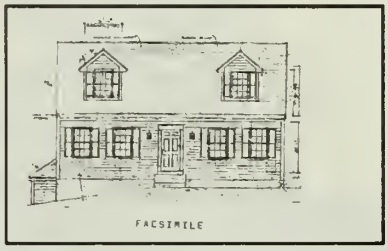

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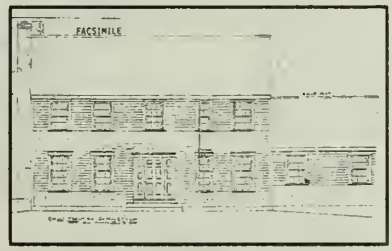

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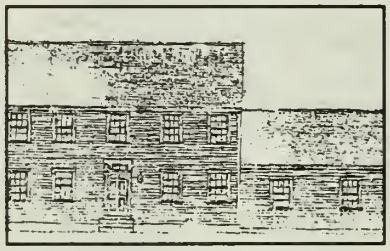

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Tree Planting Committee sit down with the Department of Public Works and come up with a plan for planting trees in the cemeteries?" asked Selectman Dickerson. The two groups agreed to make an attempt to collaborate on this effort with the DPW.

At 7:30 pm the board met with Harbormaster Charles Bradley and Luke Lomeland, Chairman of the Marine Resources Commission (MRC), to discuss changes to the town's Waterways Regulations, which haven't been amended since February 25, 1997. "It's been almost three years since they've been updated," Mr. Bradley said. "Basically, in most cases, it's just a matter of cleaning up the language."

Mr. Bradley then proceeded to go over the eight-page regulations document, citing the various changes and amendments which he and the MRC are recommending. Most changes were either done to clarify the existing rules and/or wording, or to comply with Massachusetts General Laws — in some cases, to accommodate new fee structures for boating accident reports and damage reports (both of which increased from $250 to $500).

"As we tighten the rules up, we do provide some leeway for hardship cases," Mr. Lomeland added. "We've kept it sort of gentle ... it's not etched in stone."

The board voted to take this matter under advisement and agreed to vote on the proposed changes during their February 29 meeting to allow Selectman Schaefer an opportunity to read the amendments and give the public a chance to respond. "If anyone has any comments (on the changes), they can come forward

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(before then)," Selectman Winters said.

In other matters, the board:

• Received a copy of the proposed warrant article for placement on an upcoming Town Meeting warrant to fund the renovation and expansion project at Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High Schools. "We anticipate having the final dollar figure within two weeks, which should be about $48 million," Mr. Pickles said.

• Discussed potential liability issues and problems with floats and piers in response to a letter from MRC Chairman Luke Lomeland. "What prompts the Commission to write this letter ... is that unlike past proposals, these (new ones) involve private concrete floats and driven piles to secure them," he wrote. "Adding to

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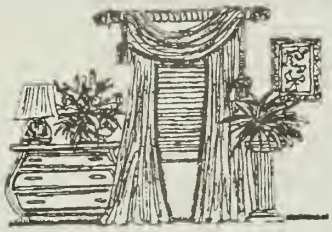

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this would be that these floats would be left in the water year-round. This opens a whole new realm in the ongoing saga of floats and piers."

Both Mr. Lomeland and Harbormaster Bradley were concerned about inspecting such floats and piers to ensure they are secure enough in the event of a storm. "We'd like to see a maintenance clause written into (the permit)," Mr. Bradley said.

"We could ask the Conservation Commission and Planning Board to look into requiring inspections (for floats and piers) before they're permitted," Mr. Pickles said. The board agreed to forward this matter to both the Planning Board and ConCom for their input.

• Received a letter from Don Weber of Sparrow Lane, expressing his concern over the clear-cutting of trees near his home. "I refer to the clear-cutting of a couple dozen large trees on the residential lot which lies at the corner of Route 6 and Benson Brook Road," Mr. Weber wrote. "I believe that some of those trees were quite possible Town trees, our Tree City's trees." The board advised that the Tree Committee would look into this matter.

• Another letter from Mr. Weber regarding the lack of a leash law in Marion. Mr. Pickles noted that there is a leash law in town, and he will forward a copy of the law to Mr. Weber.

• Met briefly with State Senator Marc Pacheco, who informed them that his office is sponsoring a Health Forum on Thursday, February 17 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at Middleboro High School. The forum will cover such important issues as prescription drugs, pharmaceutical plans, and eligibility requirements for area elderly. "We've allocated $72 million for the senior pharmacy program," Senator Pacheco said. "We've also increased the subsidy (limits) for elders."

At 8:16 pm the board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

February 14, 2000

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, February 14 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Richard Cutler. Also present were Selectman Naida Parker, Selectman Patricia Ryan, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

After unanimously approving the minutes of the February 7 meeting, the board met with Earle O. Phillips Jr. regarding a donation to the Rochester Little League. Mr. Phillips said he is the executor of the estate of Marianne Phillips who stipulated in her will that a one-sixth share in her estate be left to the Rochester Little League.

"This is quite a windfall for the Rochester Little League," Chairman Cutler noted.

"It's not really a high value house," Mr. Phillips advised. "It needs a lot of work ... the highest appraisal we've received was for $127,000. The Little League will probably get $15,000 to $20,000."

Park Commissioner Gary Laboa, who is also on the Board of Directors for Rochester Youth Baseball, advised that the Little League is not a town entity, per se. "Rochester Youth Baseball is a private, non-profit organization ... it's not owned by the town," Mr. Laboa said. "Where the stipulations are that the funds go to

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'Rochester Little League,' it would go to Rochester Youth Baseball. I have to add that I think it's a wonderful thing you're doing."

The board unanimously voted that Chairman Cutler be authorized to accept the funds once the estate is sold on behalf of Rochester Youth Baseball.

At 7:15 pm the board met with Attorney Thomas Urbelis on behalf of Georgia Chamberlain whom the board voted to remove from the Conservation Commission (ConCom) last month. Mr. Ureblis reviewed the chronology of events which led to Ms. Chamberlain's removal from the ConCom, citing that Richard Howland had filed a complaint with the board that Ms. Chamberlain had gone onto his property and took photographs and he demanded an apology from the town.

"Ms. Chamberlain received a notice from the board that the matter would be considered ... at no time was she informed that she was being considered for removal," Mr. Urbelis said. "(Ms. Chamberlain) denied

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taking any pictures or going onto the property. The Board of Selectmen stated to her they wanted to see the negatives. On January 10, she provided pictures and negatives to Town Administrator James Huntoon. She understood she was complying totally with your request."

Mr. Urebelis noted that since Ms. Chamberlain had a prior commitment on January 10 — a meeting of the Mary's Pond Beach Committee — she could not attend the Selectmen's meeting that night. "When she gave photos and negatives to Mr. Huntoon, no one told her that's not what they wanted," he said. "In (the board's) letter, it is stated that the grounds for her removal was that she had not complied with the wishes of the board. Up until today, she believes she has complied with the wishes of the board.

"Grounds for removal (from a board) is cause ... and I'd suggest to you that not providing negatives and pictures is not grounds for cause. I'd ask that you reconsider your decision and, in all fairness, have (Ms. Chamberlain) reinstated on the ConCom."

"When we talked to Ms. Chamberlain, we asked her to produce the negatives ... we stressed that we wanted to see the strip of negatives," Chairman Cutler said. "We gave her one more week to produce the strip of negatives. I have several people who work for me, and when they don't comply with direct orders, there are consequences."

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"I'm not going to make a motion to reconsider (our decision) based on what I'm hearing here," Selectman Ryan said. "We were very specific with what we wanted ... a strip of negatives is a strip of negatives."

Mr. Urbelis advised the board that Ms. Chamberlain would like all future discussion of this matter to remain in Open Session. "Thank you for reminding us of the obvious," Chairman Cutler said.

At 7:40 pm the board met with members of the Rochester School Committee, Memorial School Principal Jay Ryan, ORR School Superintendent Elizabeth Quinn, and the Finance Committee (FinCom) to discuss the town's recent sizable allocation of $273,000 in Chapter 70 funds. Although Chapter 70 money is usually earmarked for education, the legislature does not restrict it to that purpose, and the board was hoping to use some of the allocation to offset recent school-related expenses.

"The board thought it would be nice if some of those funds could be used to defray some of our expenses," Chairman Cutler said. "We've spent a lot of money on Memorial School ... we hoped at the very least we could be reimbursed for the purchase of land for future school expansion."

"Clearly the intent of the legislature was that (Chapter 70 funds) be used on education," said Shirley Bourque, Chairman of the Rochester School Committee. "But we'd like to sustain the partnership we've built with the town ... we thought a 50/50 split would be equitable

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The FinCom was interested in paying off the school's technology loan ($75,000) first, then covering the recent purchase of the so-called Bassett property for future expansion of Memorial School ($86,000). Those two items totalled an estimated $160,000, which would leave $113,000 from the Chapter 70 allocation. Both the board and FinCom seemed to think an even $150,000 returned back to the town was a fair amount, leaving $123,000 for the school's coffers, forcing them to cut their proposed "wish list" by only $20,000. The final decision in this matter, however, rests with the voters who must approve the allocation at a Special Town Meeting tentatively scheduled for early April.

In other matters, the board:

• Agreed to schedule a Tri-Town Selectmen's meeting with their fellow officials in Mattapoisett and Marion sometime in March to discuss the revitalizing of

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• Unanimously voted to reappoint Robin Prezner as the town's Animal Inspector for a term to expire in 2001.

• Received a memo from Highway Surveyor Jeff Eldridge advising that it is difficult for him to fill town details at the present outside rate of $10.50 per hour. He hopes to set a rate closer to what third-party details are paid for police officers. Mr. Huntoon added that he'll be working with Mr. Eldridge to draw up a flagger's by-law for the Annual Town Meeting as well.

• Received a proposed article for future Town Meeting consideration to fund the ORR School District renovations to both the junior and senior high schools. The board unanimously voted to forward this information to the Town Clerk.

• Voted to authorize both Ms. Lafreniere and

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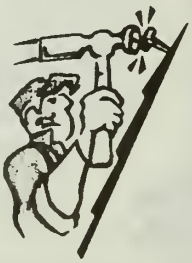

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Town Hall staff member Kathy Nyer to attend workshops on technology applications at Bridgewater State College on April 10 at a cost of $50 per person for two sessions.

• Received payment in lieu of taxes from SEMASS in the amount of $206,252 representing 91,010 tons of trash collected during the month of January, 2000.

• Unanimously voted to appoint Gary Laboa to the Rochester Industrial Development Commission (IDC) for a three-year term. Mr. Laboa said he plans to encourage other residents to join the commission which has been inactive for some time. The IDC works to help solicit businesses to come to Rochester.

• Received a letter of appreciation from Kimberly Vermilya who was recently pulled from a motor vehicle accident by members of the Rochester Police, Fire and Rescue Departments. "I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude to those men and women involved in the response to my car accident on January 24," she wrote. "At a point when I was questioning whether or not I was going to survive, the quick response and compassion of the police, firefighters, ambulance personnel, and EMTs made all the difference. I could not have asked for a better group of people to help me."

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening.

News Submission Policy

The Wanderer gladly accepts any and all news and press release items from local non-profit organizations for publication on a weekly basis. The deadline for submission of said items is **Monday at 12:00 noon** for publication in that week's edition. Due to the increased number of submissions, however, publication of press material is never guaranteed. *The Wanderer* will make every effort to publish timely news items and

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announcements as the subject warrants and as often as spacing allows. All press material must be submitted in writing — we cannot accept news items via telephone.

Photographs of area events and newsmakers are also accepted and encouraged. *The Wanderer* accepts well-lit and clearly defined color or black and white photographs for publication provided they include a brief summary of the event or subject. Due to processing and/ or cropping requirements, we cannot return photographs. Please make sure you retain your negatives or have a copy made before submitting photographs for publication. Like news items, the deadline for photos is **Monday at 12:00** noon and the publication of photographs is also subject to spacing constraints and therefore cannot be guaranteed.

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Coastline Elderly Nutrition Menu

- **Monday, February 21 -** Presidents Day (no meals served).
- **Tuesday, February 22 -** Lasagna, Italian blend vegetables, Vienna bread, vanilla pudding.
- **Wednesday, February 23 -** Roast pork with gravy, red

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• **Thursday, February 24** - Chicken patty, whipped potato, French style green beans, dark rye bread, fruit in light syrup.

• **Friday, February 25** - Chili with beans, fluffy rice, mixed vegetables, club roll, fruited gelatin.

Mattapoisett Girls Softball

The Mattapoisett Recreation Committee will be holding signups for Girls Softball (Grades 3 to 8) on Thursday, February 17 in the Junior High School cafeteria from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. For more information, please contact John Haley at 758-4587.

Machacam Club - Mattapoisett

The Machacam Club will hold its March meeting on Wednesday, March 1 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street. Social hour begins at 5:30 pm with dinner service at 6:00 pm.

The speaker this month will be Mike Dahill. Mike will bring the group up-to-date on the ORR Building Committee progress and their investigation of much-needed renovations to the senior and junior high school complex.

Callers are reminded to report their lists no later than 9:00 pm on February 28. Last-minute changes and reservations may be made by calling Mike Lamoureux at

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Chicken BBQ in Marion

The Benjamin D. Cushing Post 2425 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) in Marion has announced a Texas-style "take out only" Chicken BBQ on Sunday, February 27 beginning promptly at 12:00 noon at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 (Mill Street) in Marion. The menu will include a half chicken barbecued, potato salad, Blue Lake green beans, cranberry sauce, roll and butter, and dessert. Donation is $7. For tickets or information, please call: Gerald Barrows Sr. in Wareham (295-2848); Mario Tortora in Swifts Beach (295-8265); Richard Ziemba in West Wareham (295-7766); Demi Barros Jr. in Marion (748-0791); or Manny Barboza Jr. in South Middleboro (947-8799).

Fairhaven Colonial Club

The Fairhaven Colonial Club will hold an Historical Tea which is FREE and open to the public on Tuesday, February 22 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the club, 6 Cherry Street in Fairhaven. The Historical Tea is a

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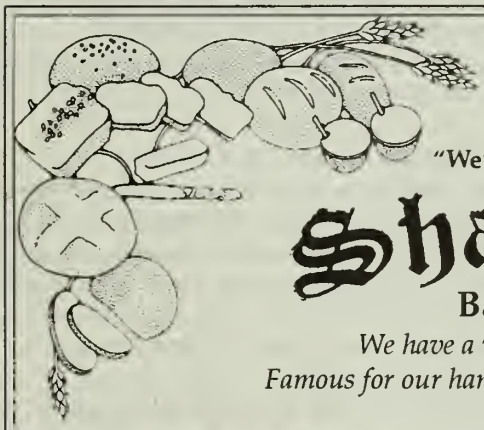
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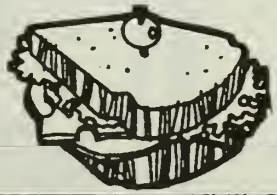
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celebration of the town's anniversary. It is held annually by the Colonial Club, which is located in the Coggeshall Memorial House on Cherry Street. The Coggeshall House was bequeathed to the Historical Commission in 1916 by Martha Coggeshall. The Colonial Club was established in 1911 to prepare for the Town Centennial in 1912. Until 1912, the group met at the Academy Building on Main Street. For more information on the Colonial Club and future events, please call Dolores Hanson at 992-1123.

Ham and Bean Supper

The Florence Eastman Post 280 American Legion will hold its first Ham and Bean Supper on Saturday, February 26 at 5:00 pm at Post Headquarters on Depot Street. Tickets can be purchased by contacting John DeCosta at 758-2310, Michael Lamoureux at 758-9311, Tony Rapoza at 758-2202, Evelyn Pursley at 758-3329, or from any other Legion member. Please come and help support your local veterans' organization.

Friends of Old Rochester Music

Friends of Old Rochester Music (FORM), the parent group supporting the music program at Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High Schools, met last week in the Teacher's lunch room at the high school. At the meeting, Manny Monteiro reported that the Super Bowl Subs fund-raiser was a great success. He thanked all of the volunteers who helped prepare and deliver the approximately 500 subs and expressed his appreciation to Porky's which provided the ingredients — with an especially big "thank you" for the assistance of Mike Pinard at Porky's.

The next meeting of FORM will be held on Tuesday, March 7 at 7:00 pm in the Teacher's lunch room at the high school.

War and Peace in Mattapoisett

Beginning February 28, a four-session series titled *War and Peace* will be held at the YMCA Youth and Family Center in Mattapoisett on Reservation Road. Sessions will run from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Child care will be available by pre-registration only. A fee of $10 will cover the cost of materials.

Jeanine Fitzgerald, workshop facilitator, describes the series as follows: "Young children have a strong need to work on the issues related to power and control, good and evil, real and pretend, as well as right and wrong. Play that allows children to work on these issues is usually loud, aggressive, and at times violent in its themes. Nevertheless, it is important play because it helps children develop a sense of who they are in the world and how to control their desires to be 'bad,' gives them a chance to figure out prosocial behaviors and roles and gain self-control. The challenge for adults, who work with or raise young children, becomes to provide opportunities to play out these themes and concepts while supporting play that is not aggressive or violent in nature."

To register or for more information, please call the Early Childhood Office at 748-1863.

Marion Absentee Ballots

Absentee Ballots are now available at the Marion Town Clerk's office for the Presidential Primary to be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2000. Anyone wishing to vote prior to the primary due to absence from town on primary day may vote in the office during regular business hours from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Thursday, and Friday from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.

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Family Book-Making in Rochester

If you are looking for things to do over the winter vacation week, consider registering for the Family Book-Making Workshop scheduled for February 23 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Rochester Woman's Club. ORR Early Childhood Council members Marissa Hughes and Carolyn Pruchnik will lead families through the steps of creating a variety of styles of books. Bring along family photos or memorabilia from a family trip or event and create your very own book. A fee of $2 per person or $5 per family will cover the cost of materials. Please call the Early Childhood Office (758-1863) to register.

Tabor Drama Presents *Grease*

The Drama and Music Departments of Tabor Academy will be performing *Grease* on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 17 through 19 at 8:00 pm in the Hoyt Performing Arts Center at Tabor Academy. The show features a number of local students in various roles. From Marion are Eric Pierce (2001) as Eugene Florczyk; Beth Grosart (2000) as Jan, and Maggie Merrow (2001) and Kate Sherman (2002) as members of the chorus.

Also from Marion are stage manager Caitlin Babbitt (2000) and set designer Tyler Kuppig (2000).

Becky Lipstock (2000) of Mattapoisett plays Sandy; Adriana Cerundolo (2002) of Wareham plays Marty; Sopie Davis (2002) of Osterville plays Rizzo; and Zach Finkelstein (2001) of Plymouth plays Roger.

Mark Howland is the director, Richard Van Voris is the technical director, David Horne is the musical director, and Jane Babbitt is the choreographer. Tickets are $7 and may be purchased in advance at The Bookstall in Marion or at the door. Reservations may be made by calling Tabor Academy at (508) 748-2000.

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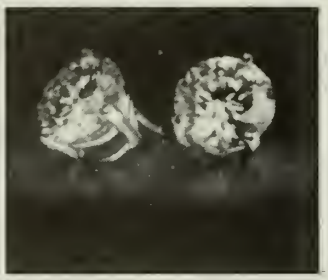

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Regional High School on Saturday, March 4 beginning at 7:00 pm. This 16-act variety show features locally-known talent, including such entertainment as vocalists, dance groups, musical bands, and a pianist.

Ticket prices are $6 for adults and $4 for children (ages 12 and under). There is general admission seating for this program. Doors will open at 6:30 pm. During intermission, great raffle prizes will be awarded to the lucky winners. Refreshments will also be served.

Tickets for this event can be purchased at the following area businesses: Don's Tire, Dr. Clayton King's office, Seaport Village Coffee Shoppe, G.H. Dunn Insurance Agency, Village Package Store, Village Styling Shop, and Village Signs.

Based on the success of the past two variety shows, this year's event is expected to be a blockbuster. Come and have a good time and see your home town stars and friends entertain!

Hospice Training in Fairhaven

Hospice of Community Nurse Association in Fairhaven is beginning at 24-hour training program for volunteers on February 28 and will continue through the end of March. Hospice is a comprehensive program of care in which physicians, nurses, counselors, and other professionals keep patients comfortable and alert at home while providing emotional and other support services to themselves and their family.

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of terminal care, death and dying, patient care, family concerns, bereavement and spiritual issues. The training is designed to help volunteers provide friendship, support and practical assistance to terminally-ill patients and their families. Volunteers also provide much-needed indirect support by assisting in the office, in advisory capacities, fund-raising, and the like.

No commitment is requested until after completion of the training, and volunteers may donate as little as a few hours of their time each month to fit their personal schedules.

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Russell Memorial Library

The Russell Memorial Library will present six Spring Pre-School Story Times from March 1 through April 6. This FREE program is open to children ages 3, 4 and 5. Parents may choose from two sessions: Wednesday, 10:30 to 11:15 am or Thursday, 1:30 to 2:15 pm. Story Time includes books, songs, and finger plays. Adults must remain in the building and are asked to help their child with a simple craft at the end of the session. Registration is required and will be held through February 29. Please visit the library or call 998-0270 for details.

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ORR Alumni Association

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The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17 at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held in the ORR cafeteria. Meetings usually last about one hour. We hope to see you there!

LWV Lasagna Supper

The Marion/Mattapoisett/Rochester League of Women Voters (LWV) will hold its annual winter Lasagna Supper with guest speaker on Thursday, February 17 at 6:00 pm in St. Gabriel's Parish Hall on South Street in Marion. The topic to be discussed is Health Care Reform. All area residents, including teenagers, are welcome.

The charge for the entire evening is $6, payable at the door. However, reservations are requested. Please call Eunice Manduca at 748-1327 and leave your name, number planning to attend, whether regular or vegetarian lasagna is desired and, where possible, a contact phone in case of storm cancellation.

The speaker on Health Care Reform is Barbara Sullivan. A graduate of Quincy City Hospital School of Nursing, she also holds a BS degree in Sociology/Social Work from Northeastern University and a Masters Degree in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. She worked for the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health in Child/Adolescent Services from 1970 until her retirement in 1989. Ms. Sullivan is currently the Health Care Specialist for the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts.

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Marion Art Center

Old Songs

"Old Songs, New Songs, Happy Songs, Blues Songs" is the title of the upcoming concert at the Marion Art Center by vocalist and songwriter Kathleen Brophy. The concert will take place on Saturday, February 26 at 8:00 pm. The evening is a celebration of the new

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This is the third annual concert Ms. Brophy and friends will perform at the Art Center. Last year she received a guitar for Christmas and demonstrated her skills as a beginner on the instrument. Since then, she has not only mastered the guitar but has also written a number of original pieces. She recently recorded a CD of her songs in her luxurious contralto voice with various accompaniments. Reservations are recommended for the concert and can be made by calling the Marion Art Center at 748-1266. Tickets are $5 for MAC members, $7 for general admission.

"New Leaf"

"New Leaf" is the title of the first exhibition of the new century now on display at the Marion Art Center featuring paintings by Carolyn Dlouhy of Mattapoisett.

Ms. Dlouhy holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the Swain School of Design and also from the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth in Art Education. She also received an MA from UMass Dartmouth specializing in visual design, painting and video. She has been substitute teacher in the art departments of many area schools and has taught at Westport Artists Group, The Fireside School in Little Compton, the Art Center in New Bedford, and the Marion Art Center to name just a few. Ms. Dlouhy also worked as Gallery Director in Brentwood, CA and as Executive Art Consultant at the Tamara Bane Gallery in Los Angeles.

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She has exhibited her work at Gallery X in New Bedford, the Donovan Gallery and Champagne's Gallery in Rhode Island, and the Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions Countdown to the Millennium Group Show. The exhibition at the Marion Art Center will run through March 3. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm, and Saturday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The Art Center is located at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets in Marion. Admission is FREE.

New Website

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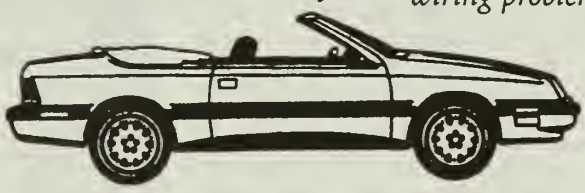
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The master plan for the Town of Mattapoisett entitled "MASTER PLAN 2000" has been completed and accepted by the Planning Board. The Board would like to express their appreciation to the Master Plan Study Committee for their dedication and excellent work:

Raymond H. Andrews
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Cynthia Johnson
Joseph L. Slattery
Robert H. Atkinson
Eric Dam
Dennis M. Perry
Wayne Walega
Peter Kortright, Consultant

Copies of the master plan may be reviewed at the Mattapoisett Public Library, Town Clerk's office and the Planning Board. Limited copies of the master plan may be purchased for the cost of $10.00 per copy.

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Movie Review

Brother's Grim

BY ROB GONSALVES
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■ ***Angela's Ashes*. Starring Emily Watson and Robert Carlyle. Directed by Alan Parker. Running time: 140 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At Cinema 140 in New Bedford.**

Angela's Ashes has a beautiful ugly look. Rain soaks the dirty streets of Ireland, turning every public area (and even some houses) into mud puddles. The film itself seems to have been bled dry by a vampire, and the pale, skinny people plod through the muck and drizzle like wraiths. When young Frank McCourt comes down with a nasty case of conjunctivitis, it's the first sign of color in his face. All of this squalor is perfectly composed and lighted, as if the director Alan Parker were trying to find a visual equivalent to McCourt's elegant prose.

The movie is bleak, depressing, and almost entirely grim — every time a character enjoys a small triumph, a big letdown is right on its heels. (This is the sort of film in which a man finally finds a job after months of searching, then celebrates at a pub and gets so drunk he oversleeps the next day and gets fired.) *Angela's Ashes* doesn't have a chance of scoring with a mass audience (despite the popularity of McCourt's bestseller), but I thoroughly enjoyed it — enjoyed the relentless gloomy realism, the refusal to put a happy face on McCourt's miserable childhood. The events of the story are saddening; the movie's integrity in handling them without flinching or melodrama is satisfying, even refreshing.

Angela's Ashes begins not in Limerick (where most of the film is set) but in Brooklyn, New York — a confusing and intriguing starting point for viewers who haven't read the book: Isn't this supposed to be an Irish story? The McCourt parents — Malachy (Robert Carlyle), a hapless drunk, and his long-suffering wife Angela (Emily Watson) — watch as their newborn baby girl dies. They already have four other children, including Frank, and they decide to move back to Ireland, because Malachy isn't having any luck in America. He has no better luck in Limerick, mainly because he spends the family's little money at the pub.

In the past, Alan Parker directed with a sledgehammer (particularly in *Midnight Express* and *Mississippi Burning*) — skillfully wielded, true, but some of us get

tired of being hammered. Working with less sensational material, though, Parker relaxes; he doesn't have to push so hard. *Angela's Ashes* is actually fairly similar to his best film (for me), 1982's divorce drama *Shoot the Moon*, also about a pathetic husband and father trying to hold his family together in the face of his wife's contempt; the movies could be bookend pieces — the dysfunctional family in America and Ireland. (The absent father was also a theme in his *Pink Floyd — The Wall*, though that was more Roger Waters' conception.) Here, Parker's work is naturalistic yet subtly stylized. You see the beauty in the Limerick slums because that's what the young Frank sees; he has no choice.

Parker isn't just a cold technician; he usually gets rich performances, and he guides Watson and Carlyle through specific portraits of misery, not just stereotypes of the Drunken Dad and Bitter Mom. The actors make you feel the hopelessness of their situation; they see no beauty in their surroundings. Parker has also deftly cast the young Frank with three impressive child actors (Joe Breen as the little Frank, Ciaran Owens as the adolescent Frank, Michael Legge as the teen Frank), even though they don't much resemble each other. It's as if the harsh life in Limerick has reshaped Frank's features at each stage of development.

I suppose some admirers of the book may be disappointed: A book is a book and a film is a film. And it's one thing to read about McCourt's long list of childhood tragedies — it's quite another to actually see the dying babies, the grotesque living conditions, the sheep's head served for Christmas dinner. I sympathize with those who find the movie *Angela's Ashes* too depressing, but on some level, perhaps, in removing much of Frank McCourt's distancing lyricism, Parker has given us a more honest account. Should dying babies *not* be depressing?

■ CINEMA 140

376 Hathaway Road, New Bedford, MA.
Movie Lines: 999-6577, 999-4233

Friday (Feb. 18) through Thursday (Feb. 24)
Pitch Black* (R) – Fri: 2:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:15; Sat-Thu: 12:15, 2:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:15
Angela's Ashes* (R) – Fri: 2:45, 6:30, 9:20; Sat-Thu: 11:45, 2:45, 6:30, 9:20
All About My Mother (R) – Fri: 2:30, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15; Sat-Thu: 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
Hanging Up* (PG-13) – Fri: 2:15, 4:15, 7:00, 9:00; Sat-Thu: 12:15, 2:15, 4:15, 7:00, 9:00
Boiler Room* (R) – Fri: 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sat-Thu: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
The Cider House Rules (PG-13) – Fri: 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:40; Sat-Thu: 12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:40
**No discount coupons accepted for these shows.*

■ FLAGSHIP CINEMA 12

500 Kings Highway, New Bedford, MA.
Movie Hotline: 985-3000

Friday (Feb. 18) through Thursday (Feb. 24)
Rocky Horror Picture Show (R) – 12:00 midnight show, Fri/Sat only!
The Whole Nine Yards (PG-13) – 1:15, 3:50, 7:15, 9:40 (12:00 midnight show, Fri/Sat only!)
The Sixth Sense (PG-13) – 1:15, 3:50, 7:15, 9:40 (12:00 midnight show, Fri/Sat only!)
The Tigger Movie (G) – 12:10, 2:35, 4:35, 7:00
Snow Day (PG) – 12:50, 2:55, 4:50, 6:55, 9:00
The Beach (R) – 12:55, 3:55, 6:50, 9:25 (12:00 midnight show, Fri/Sat only!)
Scream 3 (R) – 1:20, 4:05, 7:00, 9:30 (12:00 midnight show, Fri/Sat only!)
Galaxy Quest (PG) – 9:35
Talented Mr. Ripley (R) – 12:30, 3:30, 7:10, 10:00
Any Given Sunday (R) – 9:20
Stuart Little (PG) – 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:10
Bicentennial Man (PG) – 7:25, 10:00
The Green Mile (R) – 12:05, 4:00, 7:35
Toy Story 2 (G) – 12:25, 2:40, 5:00
The Hurricane (R) – 12:40, 3:40, 7:05, 9:55
Girl, Interrupted (R) – 12:55, 3:45, 7:20, 10:05

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Movie Line: 999-3141

Friday (Feb. 18) through Thursday (Feb. 24)
Scream 3 (R) – 1:00, 4:00, 4:40, 6:30, 7:10, 9:00, 9:30
Stuart Little (PG) – 1:10, 3:10, 5:10
Toy Story 2 (G) – 12:40, 2:40
Snow Day (PG) – 12:40, 2:40, 4:50, 7:20, 9:20
The Tigger Movie (G) – 12:30, 2:10, 3:50, 5:30, 7:10, 8:50
Galaxy Quest (PG) – 1:40, 6:40
The Talented Mr. Ripley (R) – 1:50, 4:50, 7:50
The Whole Nine Yards (R) – 12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7:00, 9:10
The Green Mile (R) – 7:30
The Beach (R) – 1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30
Down to You (PG-13) – 4:10, 9:00
The Hurricane (R) – 1:40, 5:00, 8:00
The Sixth Sense (PG-13) – 1:50, 4:40, 6:50, 9:10
American Beauty (R) – 1:20, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20

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over the world! Members can find out about classes, lessons, art camp, and current productions through the Internet as well as their newsletter. They also hope to expand their services by accepting Visa and Mastercard in the not-too-distant future. For the convenience of members, tickets, classes, memberships and the like may be purchased with a credit card.

Another service they hope to provide to artists will be the displaying of their work on the website and "represent" them through the magic of this new medium. The possibilities are endless, and a new form of digital art is being explored and refined by local artist Gerry Ficks, who will educate the Exhibition Committee at their next meeting. If you'd like to help with the Marion Art Center website, please call 748-1266.

Dance Classes

The Marion Art Center has announced that Dance Classes for the winter 2000 term will resume on Thursdays with Kinderstep for Preschoolers at 2:00 pm; Firsteps for Grades 1 and 2 meets 3:30 to 4:15 pm; and

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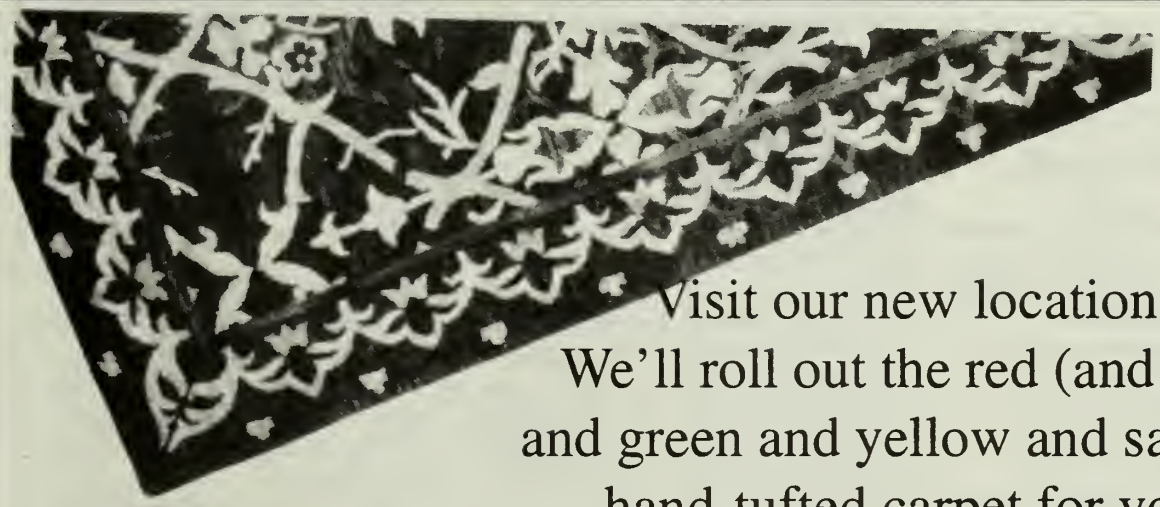

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Local Police Logs

■ MARION

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• Hill Street – suspicious activity
• Route 195 East – suspicious person
• Front Street – adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor: second offense, one-way violation, operating to endanger)
• Spring Street – burglar alarm
• Wareham Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
• Front Street – youths in street
• Wareham Road – suspicious activity
• Mill Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• Front Street – waterways complaint
• Spring Street – parking violation
• Main Street – parking violation
• Cumberland Farms – suspicious motor vehicle
• Spring Street – suspicious person
• Spring Street – disturbance
• Spring Street – parking violation
• Barros Drive – parking violation
• County Road – suspicious person
• Wareham Road – motor vehicle accident/personal injury
• Point Road – suspicious motor vehicle.

■ MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of February 6 through February 12, 2000:

• County Road – returned property
• Brant Beach Avenue – vandalism/vehicles struck by paintballs
• Church Street – medical assist
• Aucoot Road – request for officer
• County Road – motor vehicle accident/car hit deer
• Industrial Drive – door unable to secure
• Gary Drive – suspicious activity/motor vehicle
• Marion Road – larceny at high school
• County Road – motor vehicle accident
• County Road – alarm sounding
• North Street – vandalism/ property damage
• Wolf Island Road – vandalism to light fixture
• North Street – vandalism
• Marion Road – recovered property
• County Road – minor motor vehicle accident
• Church Street – trespassing/ past
• Marion Road – motor vehicle traffic violation
• County Road – found property
• County Road – found dog
• County Road – dog in road/ struck by vehicle
• Prospect Road – motor vehicle accident/deer ran into vehicle
• Marion Road – motor vehicle accident
• Marion Road – simple threats
• Harbor Road – motor vehicle accident
• Wildwood Terrace – suspicious activity/persons
• Marion Road – adult arrest
• Boxberry Path – vandalism/ rear window of car smashed
• Snow Fields Road – vandalism/rock thrown through window
• Mechanic Street – vandalism/ rock thrown at car
• Chapel Road – order of protection violation
• Marion Road – animal control
• North Street – dog hit by car.

■ ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of February 8 through February 14, 2000:

• Stuart Road – public assistance
• Stuart Road – animal control matter
• Route 28 – motor vehicle accident
• Alley Road – motor vehicle accident/car hit deer
• Mattapoisett Road – vandalism
• Wolf Island Road – vandalism
• Hiller Road – dog complaint
• Neck Road – vandalism
• Mary's Pond Road – animal control matter
• Walnut Plain Road – suspicious person
• New Bedford Road – horses loose
• Walnut Plain Road – adult arrest
• Walnut Plain Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Route 28 – adult arrest
• Route 28 – adult arrest (operating under the influence)
• Braley Hill Road – animal control matter
• Ryder Road – animal control matter
• Alley Road – officer wanted
• Rounseville Road – gunshots reported
• Sarah Sherman Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Mattapoisett Road – suspicious motor vehicle.

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Old Colony Regional Voke

National Honor Society

Lisa L. Merithew and Daniel P. Hoeg, seniors at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School and members of the Old Colony Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) have been nominated to compete in the NHS scholarship sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

Two hundred national NHS winners will be chosen this spring to receive $1,000 college scholarships. Principals in high schools could nominate two senior high members of the National Honor Society. Nominees were selected based on their leadership skills, participation in service organizations, and clubs; employment experience; and academic record. They were also required to write an essay.

Lisa is currently the president of the Old Colony Chapter of the National Honor Society and ranks first in her class. This fall she plans to attend UMass Dartmouth. Daniel is currently the vice-president of the National Honor Society and ranks second in his class. He also plans to attend UMass Dartmouth in the fall.

Teacher Nominee

The administration and staff at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School are pleased to announce the nomination of the school's Instructional Media Specialist, Ms. Christine Watling, as their nominee for the Massachusetts Teacher of the Year Program. Ms. Watling also serves as Chairman of Old Colony's Technology Committee and is the National Honor Society

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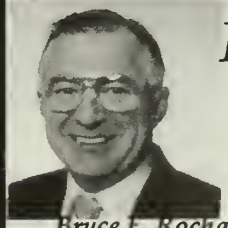

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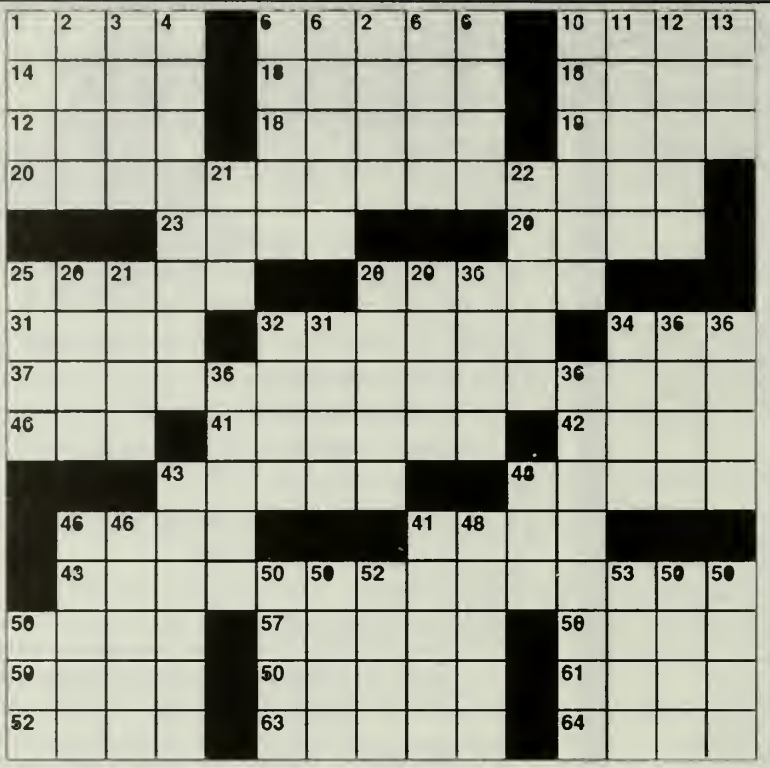

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19 Public disturbance
20 Social event/herb
23 Bridge seat
24 Otherwise
25 Southpaw
28 Wild
31 Jai _
32 Papal garments
34 Marry
37 Fob/prohibit in a way
40 Comp. dir.
41 Thrown out
42 Golf club
43 Opera heavy
44 Play part
45 Headliner
47 Capricorn's symbol
49 Weather condition/advance payment
56 Lament
57 Automation
58 Actor's part
59 _ Stanley Gardner
60 Once upon _
61 "_ La Douce"
63 Spud
64 Cupid

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1 Begone!
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3 Official policy
4 Madly excited
5 Confused state
6 Contradict
7 "_, poor Yorick"
8 Model
9 Ladder rung
10 Person in bondage
11 Horse-and-buggy control
12 Overact
13 Set of tools
21 Hit the _ (go to bed)
22 Smallest amount
25 Grassy yard
26 Enthusiasm
27 Destiny
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29 Actress Somer
30 Clarinet part
32 Musical composition
33 H. _ Perot
34 Used to be
35 School on the Thames
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44 American's uncle
45 Frighten
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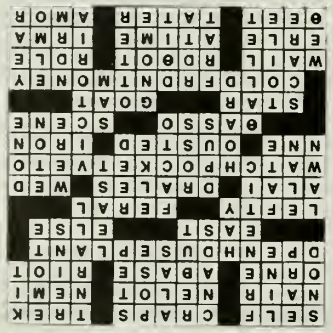

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This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

Aries (March 21-April 19). Your social life should be great, but you may be introspective. Get friends to help with household chores. You'll be more effective with a team.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). You've been forced to reassess your forward motion, but life will get easier soon. Take care of business and increase your income.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). You may have had trouble with travel over the past few weeks, but it should be easier now. Focus on ways to make money. Stay close to home.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Take care of old business. Clear off your desk. You'll be ready to start a new project, even if all the money isn't there yet.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Resolve partnership or legal matters so you can get on to the next phase. Plan your agenda with the team. Take care of something that's overdue.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're still busy, but you'll be able to share the load with a partner soon. Take it slowly. There's more pressure, so be prepared.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your nerves could be on edge. Take care not to snap. Your biggest problem is setting priorities in your social calendar. You'll be a perfectionist.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're still focusing on things that are happening at home. Plan a romantic excursion. The boss may ask you for an accounting. Be prepared.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Learn something you can apply at home. Listen and take notes, even if you don't always agree. Go out and get stuff that'll be good for your family.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You could find a nice way to increase your income. Your weekend's about education. If something interesting is happening, go there and do that.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You have a clear shot, so take it. You'll have to put in more effort. These are good days for resolving an old difficulty with a partner.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). You've been pondering, possibly worrying, for a few weeks. Outgrow the old traumas and get on to the next phase.

If You're Having a Birthday This Week: A brilliant conversationalist could convince you to settle down. Your dreams are glorious, but watch out for financial problems.

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In nominating the Rochester resident to the Massachusetts Department of Education, Superintendent-Director David J. Ferreira said: "Ms. Watling is the consummate professional who has earned the respect of students and peers alike. A creative and enthusiastic educator, she has been an invaluable resource of Old Colony. In particular, her leadership in the implementation of the District's Technology Plan has been exceptional." Ms. Watling has served the District since 1980.

Project Spotlight

The following students from Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School will participate in the spring semester of the UMass Dartmouth Project Spotlight Program — from Acushnet: Denise Oliver, Joshua Oliver, and Christopher Motta; from Rochester: Aaron Lawrence. The Project Spotlight Program includes an array of enrichment activities which provide a bridge into higher education for high potential eleventh graders. The goals of the program are to stimulate creative and

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PLANNING BOARD
LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, March 6, 2000 at 8:00 PM in the Conference Room of the Town Hall on proposed Zoning By-Laws as follows:

A. ZONING BY-LAW DISTRICT AMENDMENT: To see if the town will vote to amend section 4.1 Types in Article 4 Establishment of Districts l the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Mattapoisett by deleting it in its entirety and substituting therefore the following:

4.1 Types

For the purposes of the By-Law, the Town of Mattapoisett is hereby divided into thirteen (13) classes of districts and three (3) overlay districts:

Residence 80 (R80)
Rural Residence 80 (RR 80) Marine Residence (MR 30)
Rural Residence 45 (RR 45) Waterfront 30 (W 30)
Residence 40 (R 40) Residence 20 (R 20)
Rural Residence 40 (RR 40) Village Residence (VR 10)
Residence 30 (R 30) General Business (GB)
Rural Residence 30 (RR 30) Limited Industry (Ll)
Mattapoisett River Aquifer Project District (MRAPD) Overlay District
Flood Plain Overlay District
Telecommunication Facilities Overlay District (TFO),

B. ZONING BY-LAW DISTRICT RESIDENCE AMENDMENT: To see if the town will vote to amend Article 5 Use Regulations of the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Mattapoisett by deleting section 5.1 in its entirety and replacing it with the following:
"5.1 Residence 40, Residence 80 (R 40 & M 80), Permitted Uses:"

C. ZONING BY-LAW DISTRICT RURAL RESIDENCE AMENDMENT: To see if the town will vote to amend Article 5.7 in its entirety and replacing it with the following:
"5.7 Rural Residence 30, 40, 45, and 80 (RR 30, RR 40, RR 45, & RR 80), Permitted Uses:"

D. ARTICLE: ZONING BY-LAW DENSITY AMENDMENT: To see if the town will vote to amend Article 6 Density Regulations of the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Mattapoisett by adding the following new districts to the beginning of the density chart:

"District	Lot Sq. Feet	Frontage	Set-Back Street	Set-Back Rear	Set-Back Side
R 80	80,000	150	50	40	30
RR 80	80,000	150	50	40	30
RR 45	45,000	150	50	40	30"

E. ARTICLE: ZONING MAP AMENDMENT: To see if the town will vote to amend the zoning map of the Town of Mattapoisett by changing and adding the following:

1. Add the Telecommunication Facilities Overlay District as described in Section 10.1 of the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Mattapoisett.
2. Change the area north of l195 in the Mattapoisett River Aquifer Protection District which is currently RR 40 to RR 80.
3. Change the area north of l195 in the Mattapoisett River Aquifer Protection District which is currently R 40 to R 80.
4. Change the area south of I195 in the Mattapoisett River Aquifer Protection District which is currently RR 30 to RR 45.

F. ARTICLE: ZONING BY-LAW USE AMENDMENT: To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Mattapoisett by deleting Section 5.1.5.1 in its entirety and replacing it with the following:
"5.1.5.1 Religious, educational and civic use."

G. ARTICLE: ZONING BY-LAW USE AMENDMENT: To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Mattapoisett by adding the following new section:
"5.1.1.1 Municipal use." thereby allowing the aforesaid use as a matter of right not as a special permit use,

H. ARTICLE: ZONING BY-LAW USE - FAMILY RELATED APARTMENT: To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Mattapoisett by adding the following new sections:

5.1.5.4 FAMILY RELATED APARTMENTS
5.1.5.4.1 Definitions
5.1.5.4.2 Purpose and Intent
5.1.5.4.3 Permitting Procedures and Conditions
5.1.5.4.4 Application Procedure
5.1.5.4.5 Transfer of Ownership of a Dwelling With a Family-Related Apartment
5.1.5.4.6 Inspections
5.1.5.4.7 Penalties

Complete text and copies of the proposed Zoning By-Laws are available in the Town Clerk's office during normal office hours.
Barry W. Perkins, Clerk
Mattapoisett Planning Board 02/18, 02/25

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Mattapoisett Cub Scouts

Mattapoisett Cub Scouts Pack 53 will be holding a Soup Night and Gong Show fund-raiser on Saturday, March 11 at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for children. Door prizes, entertainment, and a fun night will be had by all. Tickets are available by calling Christina at 758-4010, Sue at 763-6023, or Gwen at 758-3402.

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ROCHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Richard D. Cutler, Chairman 02/17, 02/24

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

#736 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Industrial Communications and Electronics, Inc., Estate of Enoch M. Wilson owner, for a special permit under Section VIII.D.10. of Rochester Bylaws to allow construction of a tower high than the allowed 100 feet and a variance from set back requirements under Section VIII.C.14 of Rochester Bylaws. Location of the proposed towers in on Vaughan Hill Road, Assessors plan 34 lot 13. Public Hearing will be conducted on Thursday, March 23rd at 7:30pm in the Conference Room on the Rochester Town Hall.

Charles Wolf, Chairman 2/17, 2/24

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

#739 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of the Rochester Park Commission, Gary Laboa Chairman and James F. Huntoon Town Administrator, for a Special Permit/Variance under section VIII.D.6. to allow construction of a concession/athletic equipment building at the Dexter Lane athletic field. Property is identified on Assessors maps as plan 6 lot 17. The Public Hearing will be conducted on Thursday, March 23rd at 7:30pm in the Conference Room on the Rochester Town Hall.

Charles Wolf, Chairman 2/17, 2/24

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
PLANNING BOARD
LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday March 6, 2000 at 7:30pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall concerning the application of Park Place Associates as shown as Lot #6 on Mattapoisett Assessor's Plat #16. Complete plans for the subdivision are on file in the office of the Town Clerk and may be inspected by any interested party during the normal business hours of the Clerk's office.

Barry Perkins, Clerk
Mattapoisett Planning Board 2/17, 2/24

LEGAL NOTICES

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Pursuant to Chapter 21, Section 43 of the General Laws, and Regulations 314 CMR 7.00 and 2.06, notice is given of the following application(s) for sewer extension or connection permits and proposed actions thereon:

CITY/TOWN OF: MATTAPOISETT
PROJECT NAME: SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT
APPLICANT: MATTAPOISETT WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT
LOCATION: MATTAPOISETT RIVER BASIN AREA
PURPOSE: MAJOR SEWER EXTENSION
TRANSMITTAL NO: W009451
PROPOSED ACTION: Tentative Determination to Issue.

The above applicant(s) and applicable laws, regulations and procedures are available for inspection at the above address. Comments on the proposed actions or requests for a public hearing on the proposed actions must be received at the above address within thirty (30) days of this notice.

This information is available in alternate format upon request to Bette Stewart, ADA Coordinator, BAS/HR, 4th Floor, One Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108.

Jeffrey E. Gould, Chief
Buzzards Bay Watershed 02/17

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SPORTS TRIVIA

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2. Who holds the All-Star Game record for most assists in one game?
3. Who holds the All-Star record for making the most career three-pointers?
4. What college basketball team was the NCAA champion sixty years ago?
5. Who was the top scorer for George Washington University in the 1939-40 season?
6. Who holds the record for driving the fastest Daytona 500 NASCAR race?
7. Why was the Daytona 500 shortened by 50 miles in 1974?

ANSWERS TO SPORTS TRIVIA

1. Wilt Chamberlain, who scored 42 points in the 1962 All-Star Game.
2. Magic Johnson, who had 22 assists in the 1984 All-Star Game, which went into overtime.
3. Magic Johnson, who hit 10 three-pointers in 11 All-Star Games.
4. Indiana won its first NCAA title in 1940, defeating Kansas 60-42 in the final.
5. Arnold "Red" Auerbach led GWU in scoring that season at 8.5 points per game. He later went on to coach the NBA's Boston Celtics.
6. Buddy Baker averaged a record 177.602 mph in winning the 1980 Daytona 500.
7. The 1974 Daytona 500, which was won by Richard Petty, was shortened because of a national energy crisis.

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greatly increase the safety of the members, as well as the community. Thermal imaging is the newest technology in fire-fighting. It allows visibility in low- to no-visibility situations, such as smoke and fire filled buildings. With this technology, chances of getting out of burning buildings and rescuing occupants is greatly increased. The list of situations that the camera can be used in are:

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The cost of these cameras range from $16,000 to $30,000 — no, they are not cheap but what price can you put on a life? Please help support the Marion Firefighters Association's efforts in raising the funds to purchase these life-saving devices. Donations can be sent to the Marion Firefighters Association, P.O. Box 114, Marion, MA 02378. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Mattapoisett School Renovations

Stay up-to-date with the Center/Old Hammondtown School Renovation Committee online. The webpage is dedicated to keeping townspeople aware of how the project is proceeding. The site contains Renovation Committee member names for contacting with questions or comments. It also includes the School Committee's Long Range Educational and Facilities Plan, public meetings and community involvement, and biweekly updates of the committee's meetings and progress. The information is part of the ORR School District's site located at http://people.ne.mediaone.net/orrsd, or can be linked from the Town of Mattapoisett's page at http://www.mattapoisett.net.

Sippican School Registration

Kindergarten Registration will be held at Sippican School in Marion on Tuesday evening, February 29 from 6:30 to 7:30 pm and on Thursday morning, March 2 from 9:30 to 10:30 am. Both sessions will be held in the cafeteria.

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LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

#735 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on
the petition of Ronald H. & Lucille A. Boucher. Property is located at 383 Neck Road; Assessors plan 26, lot 18A. Petitioner is seeking variance from setback requirements under section VIII.B. Public hearing will be conducted on February 24, 2000 at 7:30PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.
Charles Wolf, Chairman 2/10, 2/17

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

#737 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on
the petition of Brian Cook/Joseph Zeadt owner. Property is located at 28 Marion Road; Assessors plan 6 lots 3 & 4. Petitioner is seeking a special permit under section VIII.C.5.d. to allow a business in the agricultural/residential district; a special permit under section VIII.C.5.d. to allow a sign larger than the allowed 9 square feet and a varience under section VIII.B. from setback requirements. Public hearing will be conducted on February 24, 2000 at 8:00PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.
Charles Wolf, Chairman 2/10, 2/17

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

#738 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on
February 24, 2000 at 7:45PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall on the petition of Brian Cook, 9 Old Farm Lane, Assessors Plan 34 Lot 1N. Petitioner is seeking a special permit under section VIII.C.2.a. to construct a garage larger than the allowed 750 square feet..
Charles Wolf, Chairman 2/10, 2/17

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Jeffrey G. Eldridge, Highway Surveyor
02/17

LEGAL NOTICES

INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL
PRELIMINARY SCHEMATIC DRAWINGS AND PLANS,
ENGINEERING STUDIES, COST ESTIMATES AND 3-D MODEL

Sealed proposals are hereby solicited by the Town of Mattapoisett for furnishing preliminary schematic drawings and plans, engineering studies, cost estimates, and a three-dimensional model for the building of an addition(s) to and renovation of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. A packet ($75 refundable deposit and $10 charge for mailing) consists of the RFP, the Library Building Program (needs assessment), existing building plans, and a tentative timetable may be obtained from the library according to the following schedule: Tuesday and Thursday, 12 - 6:00 PM; Wednesday 12 - 8:00 PM; and Friday 10 - 5:00 PM. A briefing session will be held at the Library, Monday March 20 at 10:00 AM. Questions may be directed to the Director, Sue Tweedy (508) 758-4171.

Proposals must be made in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations of the United States, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the Town of Mattapoisett. The designer(s) selected to perform these services will be eligible to continue with the final design and other phases of designer services of the project, should the funding for additional services be approved, subject to an independent review process in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, c. 7, Section 38H(I).

Applicants must submit at least ten (10) copies of their proposals. These must be sealed and marked "DESIGNER PROPOSAL FOR MATTAPOISETT FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY — DO NOT OPEN" and delivered to the Selectmen's Office of the Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 at or before 3:00 PM, Monday, April 10, 2000. Proposals received after that time will not be considered. Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud thereafter. A minimum of three finalists will be selected on Wednesday, April 26, 2000 and final selection will be made by Thursday, June 8, 2000.

Applicants must be professional architects licensed to practice in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The fee for this project will be negotiated; a budget limit of $40,000 has been established. The required completion date for all work, including the three dimensional model, is Friday, December 15, 2000. The total cost of the final addition(s) is unknown, however, an estimate of $2.6 million has been projected.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive minor informalities and irregularities in any proposals, and to make an award in any manner consistent with the law and deemed to be in the best interest of the Town of Mattapoisett.

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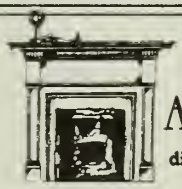

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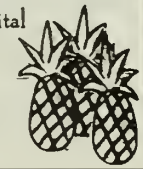

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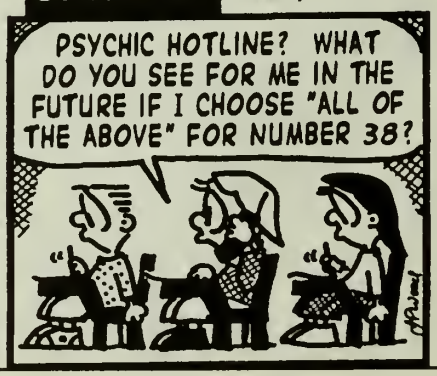

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The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17 at 12:00 noon in Reynard Hall at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Hostesses Alison Henderson and Lee Yeaton along with their tea committee will provide a luncheon of sandwiches, beverages, and desserts.

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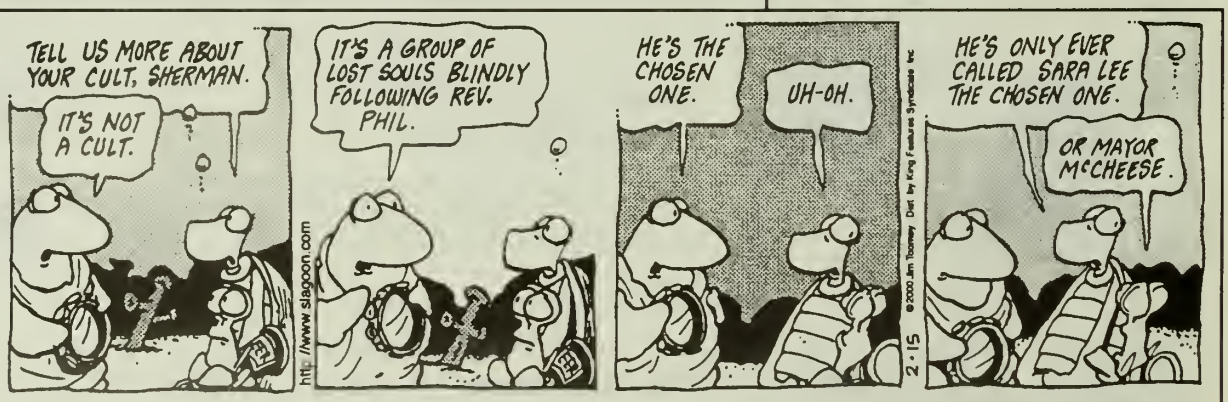

ORR Plays Jazz Festival

On Saturday, February 26, student musicians from Old Rochester Regional High School in Mattapoisett, under the direction of Steve Rogers, will compete with Large Ensembles from the northeastern United States and from as far away as Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at Berklee College of Music's 32nd Annual High School Jazz Festival. Nearly 3,000 students will compete for trophies, citation plaques, and tuition scholarships totaling $100,000 at the largest festival of its kind in the U.S. The days' events are FREE and open to the public.

The high school groups will perform and compete at the Hynes Convention Center, 900 Boylston Street, from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm, and from 7:30 pm until 11:30 pm. For the finale, the ten top big bands will perform in the final competition at the 2,700-seat Hynes Grand Ballroom. One of the college's most prestigious bands, the Berklee Concert Jazz Orchestra, directed by Greg Hopkins, will also perform in the Grand Ballroom from 4:00 to 5:00 pm in the wake of their highly-acclaimed concert at the recent International Association of Jazz Educators Conference in New Orleans.

Mattapoisett Board of Health

The Department of Public Health has urged local Boards of Health to educate the public about the dangers of ETS (Environmental Tobacco Smoke) and to pass and enforce local regulations to protect their residents from

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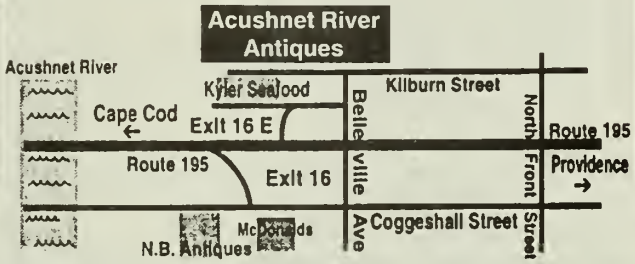

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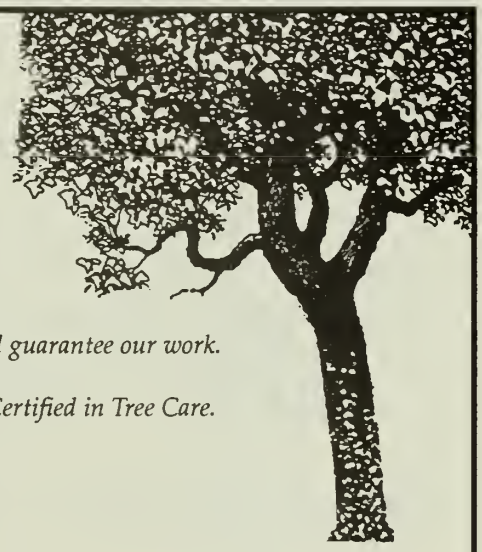

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Maconchu Club - Mattapoisett

The Maconchu Club will next meet on Saturday, February 19 at 7:30 pm in Reynard Hall at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. The program will feature Dave Olney who will speak to the group on "Nature's Driving Forces." Guests are always welcome.

Mattapoisett Touring Club

The Mattapoisett Touring Club has planned the following trip to which everyone is welcome:

• March 29 to April 12, 2000 - Spain and Portugal, with optional three-night Madeira Island Extension (15 days). Visit Barcelona, Picasso Museum, Toledo, Cordoba, Granada Alhambra, Costa del Sol, Rock of Gibraltar, Seville, Flamenco Show, Lisbon, Fatima, Nazare, Obidos, Fado Music Show. Includes round trip air, transportation to Logan Airport, 23 meals (13 breakfasts, 10 dinners). Price is $1,999 twin occupancy.

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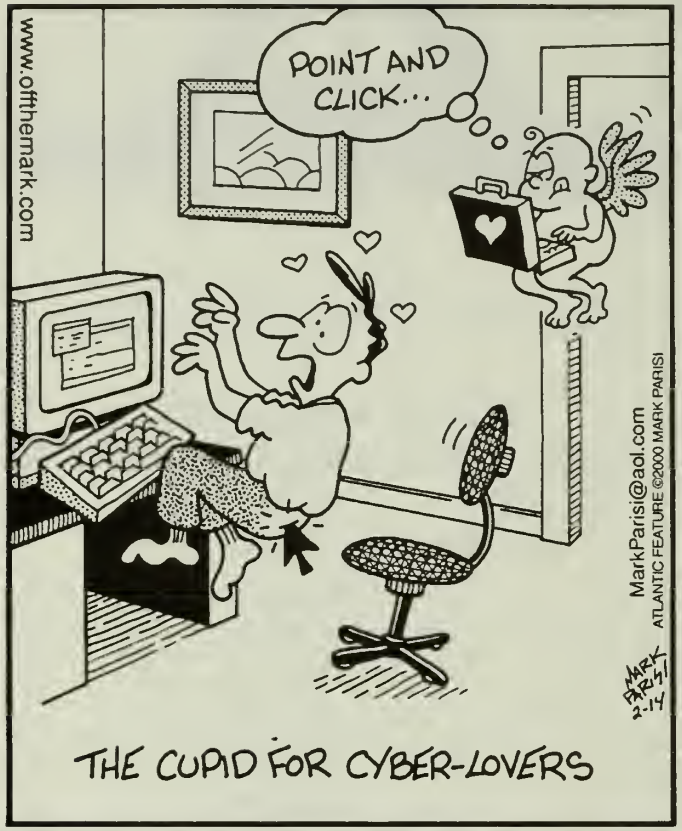

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Date	Day	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
February 17:	Thurs.	5:45	6:10	11:59	...
February 18:	Fri.	6:37	7:01	12:04	12:49
February 19:	Sat.	7:27	7:49	12:59	1:35
February 20:	Sun.	8:15	8:36	1:48	2:17
February 21:	Mon.	9:01	9:23	2:34	2:57
February 22:	Tues.	9:47	10:09	3:17	3:35
February 23:	Wed.	10:32	10:56	3:59	4:10
February 24:	Thurs.	11:19	11:44	4:39	4:46
February 25:	Fri.	...	12:07	5:20	5:24
February 26:	Sat.	12:36	1:00	6:05	6:06
February 27:	Sun.	1:32	1:57	6:58	6:58
February 28:	Mon.	2:30	2:56	8:09	8:03
February 29:	Tues.	3:27	3:54	9:44	9:17
March 1:	Wed.	4:21	4:46	10:45	10:23
March 2:	Thurs.	5:11	5:34	11:23	11:14
March 3:	Fri.	5:56	6:18	11:57	11:57
March 4:	Sat.	6:39	6:59	...	12:30
March 5:	Sun.	7:20	7:39	12:37	1:03

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